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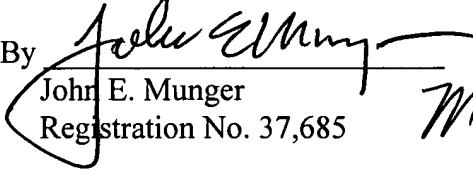
Thank you for your continued work in connection with this application. The allowance of claims 9-17 and indication that claims 3-6, 8 include allowable subject matter is noted with appreciation.

Regarding the amendments, text insertions are underlined and text deletions are indicated either by a strike out mark or by double bracketing. The title is amended in a non-substantive manner solely for improved clarity. Claim 7 is amended as noted and claim 8 is cancelled without prejudice. Claim 26 is new and should be allowable for the same reasons as claim 10.

Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) based on U.S. Patent No. 5,376,133 (Gramnäs) which is an earlier patent issued to the Applicant. Applicant has amended claim 7 to include the elements of claim 8. Applicant's positioner and other structure distinguishes the foot prosthesis of the Applicant's '133 patent. Allowance of all claims is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if that would be of assistance in resolving any outstanding issue regarding this application. Although no fees are believed to be due in connection with this Amendment, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit deposit account 10-0270 for the full amount of any fee which may be due. Please use the large entity rate. Kindly notify the undersigned in the event that the deposit account is debited or credited.

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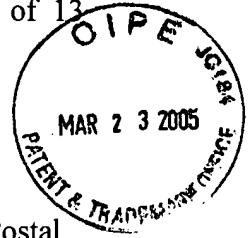
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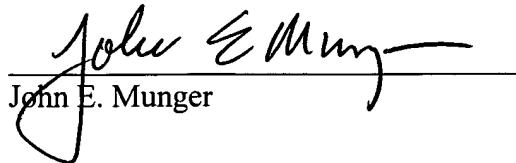
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